## **REMARKS**

This Preliminary Amendment is being submitted herewith to claim priority of an earlier-filed application. If there is any matter which could be expedited by consultation with the Applicants' attorney, such would be welcome. The Applicants' attorney can be reached at the telephone number noted below.

Signed at Bellingham, County of Whatcom, State of Washington this May 5, 2004.

Respectfully submitted, Mr. Douglas Scheffer

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